

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of  
Friday, December 18, 2009

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Callisto, Commissioner Meyer, and Commissioner Azar.

**Minutes**

The Commission modified and approved the minutes of the Open Meeting of Thursday, November 12, 2009.

The Commission approved the minutes of the Open Meeting of Tuesday, November 24, 2009.

**3820-WR-104 - Application of Monroe Municipal Water Utility, Green County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates**

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

**6300-CW-106 - Application of Wausau Water Utility, Marathon County, Wisconsin, to Construct the Well No. 9 Replacement and the Second Stage of the Water Treatment Facility Expansion**

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

**6430-WR-106 - Application of West Salem Municipal Joint Water and Sewer Utility, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Revise its Public Fire Protection Charge Recovery Method**

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and Telephonic Hearing and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

**5-UR-104 - Joint Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Wisconsin Gas LLC, both d/b/a We Energies, for Wisconsin Electric Power Company to Increase its Electric, Natural Gas and Steam Rates and for Wisconsin Gas LLC to Increase its Natural Gas Rates**

The Commission modified and approved the Final Decision and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

**6680-UR-117 - Application of Wisconsin Power and Light Company for Authority to Adjust Electric and Natural Gas Rates**

The Commission modified and approved the Final Decision and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

**Limitation of Brief Lengths**

The Commission discussed and approved limitations of 40 pages for initial briefs and 15 pages for reply briefs, using 12 point font and double-spaced type. The Administrative Law Judge has discretion to revise these page limits, based on the complexity of the issues or the number of parties.

The Commission also implemented a certification requirement consistent with that set forth in Wis. Stat. § 809.19(8)(d) for appellate court briefs, with discretion allowed for *pro se* parties.

**5-GF-184 – Electric Provider Renewable Portfolio Standard Compliance for CY2008**

The Commission revised Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin's (NSPW) renewable percentage baseline and the baselines of its wholesale customers and directed NSPW to work with Commission staff to retire certificates with the Midwest Renewable Energy Tracking System.

The Commission accepted the reports of Wisconsin electric providers and aggregators as to their compliance with the requirements of Wis. Stat. § 196.378(2)(a)2.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to inform each electric provider of its compliance with the statute.

**5-GF-104 – Administration of the Universal Service Fund**

**Telecommunications Equipment Purchase Program: Modification to the Voucher Maximum for the Hard-of-Hearing Category**

The Commission found that an unusual situation exists per Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 160.01(2)(b) and approved changing the Telecommunications Equipment Purchase Program maximum voucher level for the Hard-of-Hearing Category from \$125 to \$100.

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The Commission directed the Telecommunications Division to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

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Sandra J. Paske  
Secretary to the Commission